

# Self-Gov - Nursing, State Board of Nursing Board

## Description:

The mission of the Idaho Board of Nursing is to regulate nursing practice and education for the purpose of safeguarding the public health, safety, and welfare.

## Major Functions and Targeted Performance Standard(s) for Each Function:

### 1. License qualified persons for the practice of nursing.

#### A. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - Examination (RN/PN)

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
326/175	310/166	365/153	379/185
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
350/130	350/130	350/130	350/130

#### B. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - Endorsement

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
717	737	734	702
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
600	600	500	500

#### C. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - Reinstatement

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
103	90	126	122
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
90	90	90	90

#### D. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - APPN licensure.

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
86	92	88	103
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
90	90	90	90

#### E. Issue licenses as defined by statute and rule - Renewal

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
PN 3,043	RN 10,529	PN 5,697 PN 2,736 A-197	R-5,540 P-912 A-371
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
R 6,000 P 1,700 A 200	R 6,000 P 750 A 500	R 6,000 P 1,700 A 200	R-6,000 P-700 A-600

### 2. Define and regulate nursing practice at all levels.

#### A. Investigate complaints received and initiate action as appropriate/consistent with Board policies/rules.

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
70	63	71	74
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
75	75	75	75

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B. Administer program for recovering nurses. (\*Outside contractor) (New enrollees and continuations)

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
55	68	76	71
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
75	75	75	75

C. Administer the contract for training/testing/registry for Nursing Assistants. (Active/Inactive) \*Contact terminated (10/01/01)

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
11,625/12,156	11,571/13,424	11,249/15,253	11,423/15,313
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
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3. Regulate educational programs preparing nurses for practice at all levels.

A. Survey, review and approve nursing education programs based on established criteria (surveys/approvals).

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
6/19	11/17	4/18	3/12
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
3/13	3/13	3/14	3/14

4. Obtain and exchange of information related to licensure, practice and education.

A. Collaborate in the development, implementation, evaluation, of strategies. Facilitate communication between the Board of Nursing and consumers. (Number of Meetings/Program attendance)

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
30	27	54	45
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
40	40	40	40

B. Increase access to nursing-related information. (Number of Meetings/forums conducted)

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
23	19	22	51
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
40	30	30	30

C. Provide public access to practitioner data (PFI/HIPDB).

Actual Results			
1999	2000	2001	2002
	667	800	684
Projected Results			
2003	2004	2005	2006
725	725	725	725

**Program Results and Effect:**

The Board:

1. Licenses qualified persons for the practice of nursing through processes of initial licensure by examination and endorsement; and through processes of ongoing licensure by renewal and reinstatement.
2. Defines and enforces scope and standards of practice for licensed nurses, investigates complaints alleging violations of these standards and initiates disciplinary action when appropriate.
3. Provides an alternative to disciplinary action for those licensees whose practice may be impaired due to chemical dependence and/or mental illness, and who may safely return to active practice under conditions of strict monitoring.
4. Evaluates educational programs preparing nurses for practice at all levels to assure consistency with established criteria.
5. Exchanges and provides information related to licensure, practice and education to assure that the licensees, employers and health care consumers are informed about provisions of nursing-related statute and rules.
6. Educates staff and members about key issues impacting nursing regulation in Idaho to assure that decisions made by the Board are based on up-to-date information, research and state/national trends.

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